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My dear Drowne:

I have never been interested in numismatics,
or indeed in any form of the collection mania. This is not said
in depreciation of collections, for the collection of old things
is one of the finest traits of human character; but I have
never collected anything in my life, except books.

I am a member of so many societies that it would
be useless for me to join your society under the circumstances.

Thanking you for the suggestion, I am,

Yours very truly,

Jas. M. Beck